Ltd. One building as the site office alongwith four staff quarters have already been constructed.

- (b) and (c) As per information furnished by the University, the First Executive Council in its meetings held on 10th October, 1998 and 165th March, 2000 resolved that in view of the international character of the University and the need to evolve new courses, network international initiatives, expedite University development in consultation with the experts as well as the UGC and MHRD etc., a camp office should be established in Delhi and the First Vice-Chancellor should function from here. The VC goes and stays at Wordha as and when required. A Pro-Vice-Chancellor and Officer on Special Duty alongwith an Engineering consultant are looking after the development of Wardha campus.
 - (d) No Sir.

Hostels for working women

- 1455. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Hostels for working women scheme has been in operation since 1972-73;
- (b) if so, the number of hostels sanctioned and constructed in different States/four metropolitan cities, since inception of the scheme;
- (c) how many working women of lower income groups have been benefited from this scheme;
 - (d) how many hostels are under construction since the last five years: and
 - (e) the reasons for the slow progress?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) 870 hostels have so far been sanctioned in different States/UTs all over India. A Statement is annexed (See below) As per

information available with the Department 613 hostels have been completed.

- (c) 61564 working women earning an income not exceeding Rs. 16,000/consolidated per month in 'A' class cities and Rs. 15,000/- in other cities/towns/places have been benefited from this scheme.
- (d) 257 hostels are still incomplete which include cases where the assistance upto 90% has been released but the balance amount has not been released because the completion documents have not been submitted by the organization.
- (e) Normally the NGOs complete the hostel building within the stipulated time period of 24 months from the date of receipt of the first instalment of grants-in-aid. However, some of the reasons for the slow progress of the hostel construction as furnished by NGOs/ organizations are (i) slow progress in completion of actual construction (ii) non-availability of construction material on time due to labour problems or natural factors (iii) frequent rise in cost index which have an unfavourable impact on approved estimates, etc.

StatementState-wise number of Hostels for Working Women

SI.	State/U.T.	No. of Hostels	
No			
1.	Andhra Pradesh	46	
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	9	
3.	Assam	15	
4.	Bihar	8	
5.	Goa	2	
6.	Gujarat	37	
7.	Haryana	18	
8.	Himachal Pradesh	14	
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	5	
10.	Karnataka	80	
11.	Kerala	140	
12.	Madhya Pradesh	67	

SI.	State/U.T.	No. of Hostels
No		
	261	100
13.	Maharashtra	122
14.	Manipur	12
15.	Meghalaya	3
16.	Mizoram	3
17.	Nagaland	9
18.	Orissa	28
19.	Punjab	14
20.	Rajasthan	37
21.	Sikkim	2
22.	Tamil Nadu	90
23.	Tripura	1
24.	Uttar Pradesh	38
25.	Uttaranchal	2
26.	West Bengal	37
	TOTAL STATES:	839
	Union Territories	
27.	A & N Islands	1
28.	Chandigarh	6
29.	Delhi	20
30.	Pondicherry	4
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	TOTAL UTs:	31
	ALL INDIA TOTAL:	870

Unrecognised courses in Delhi University

1456. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) what is the criteria for recognition of courses in Universities;
- (b) whether it is a fact that Delhi University is running certain courses which are not even recognized;
 - (c) what are the reasons for delay in recognition; and